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	Benjamin E. Lanier	2132
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1. \boxtimes This communication is responsive to <u>the Amendment filed</u>	<u>25 May 2005</u> .	
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 3-17,19 and 20.		
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2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	6. Interview Summary	(PTO-413),
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment filed 25 May 2005 amends claims 3-8, 11-14, 17, 20, and cancels claims 1, 2. Applicant's amendment has been fully considered and is entered.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, filed 25 May 2005, with respect to the amended claims have been fully considered and are persuasive. The previous rejections have been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 3-17, 19 and 20 are allowed.

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Benjamin E. Lanier whose telephone number is 571-272-3805. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 7:30am-5:00pm, F 7:30am-4pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on 571-272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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